

TASMANIAN INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Industrial Relations Act 1984

T No. 2652 of 1990

IN THE MATTER OF an application
by the Tasmanian Salaried Medical
Practitioners' Society to vary the
Medical Practitioners (Public
Sector) Award

re structural efficiency principle
- special case

COMMISSIONER WATLING

HOBART, 23 November 1992
Continued from 24/9/92

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

Unedited

COMMISSIONER WATLING: I'll take appearances please.

MR J. HOUSE: If the commission pleases, JOHN HOUSE, appearing for the Tasmanian Salaried Medical Practitioners Society. **DR SENATOR** will be along shortly if that's all right, commissioner.

COMMISSIONER WATLING: Well, I don't think I have too much say in it do I?

MISS J. COX: If the commission pleases, JANE COX, appearing on behalf of the Minister administering the Tasmanian State Service Act, and appearing with me this morning is **KATE PAMMENTER**.

COMMISSIONER WATLING: Good, thank you very much. I thought I might have seen you along in some south pacific outfit this morning.

MISS COX: New Zealand.

COMMISSIONER WATLING: Right, Mr House.

MR HOUSE: Thank you, Mr Commissioner. Before we get under way, I'd like to correct some misinformation I unfortunately gave to the commission in the submissions on 23 September. At page 217 of the transcript, I was talking about a situation concerning salaried medical - salaried general practitioners in the ACT, and I must have had a memory lapse, because I indicated that the component built into the rate for community medical officers in the ACT who are required to be rostered for after hours calls was 15 per cent. In fact the component is 12 and a half per cent. I - I don't understand why I said 15 per cent at the time and I apologise for - if I've misled the commission.

COMMISSIONER WATLING: Right.

MR HOUSE: The situation now is that to have - you'll probably recall, sir, that you have two rates, one for those that are on a roster and ones that are not on the roster and the differences between the rates or the ranges is 12 and a half per cent.

COMMISSIONER WATLING: Right.

MR HOUSE: Commissioner, unfortunately in the process of transferring information down from Canberra by way of a floppy disk that I brought down yesterday, has run into some technical difficulties, and it may be appropriate, sir, that we go off the record and discuss where we - or how we proceed from here.

COMMISSIONER WATLING: Right. No worries. Well, before we do, in the intervening period a document was sent out to you dated 24/9/92. We just might check that for starters and see whether people agree or disagree with matters contained therein. Right? Now on page, have we any alterations to that document?

MR HOUSE: Not from our side, sir.

COMMISSIONER WATLING: It should have the date on it - 24/9/92 on the right-hand corner. No alterations from the employer's side?

MISS COX: Mr Commissioner, I did ring your associate when we received that document with a couple of alterations but I can't find the bit of paper as to which ones we said that they were.

COMMISSIONER WATLING: Right, well we might just go off the record.

OFF THE RECORD

NO FURTHER PROCEEDINGS RECORDED